

Mission Literature Of The Past Biennium: From the Spring of 1956 to the Spring of 1958

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The old order changeth, yielding place to new;
And God fulfills himself in many ways,
Lest one good custom should corrupt the world.
- Alfred Tennyson, *Morte d' Arthur* (1842)

THE OLD ORDER CHANGETH

If Tennyson's words were true in 1842, they are certainly true, and even more pertinent, in 1958. Our time of great transition is reflected in literature, and just as much in missionary literature. In fact, we can hardly understand a great deal of missionary writing today without studying the world situation which forms its background. The Christian world mission stands in the living context of old order yielding place to new; it has a serious responsibility to conserve the best of the old and to point the way to the new order which is in harmony with God's purpose in human history.

We listen, first, to what scholars and scientists are saying about our changing world. Fifty authorities in various fields of learning have contributed to a notable survey volume, 1193 pages, *Man's Role in Changing the Face of the Earth* (University of Chicago), edited by William L. Thomas, Jr. Frederick H. Hartman brings a fresh yet sober point of view in *The Relations of Nations* (Macmillan). The well-known writer, Louis Fischer,

has given us a broad perspective after a world tour, together with a study of critical issues, *This Is Our World* (Harper), Robert Strausz-Hupe's *The Idea of Colonialism* (Praeger) is especially relevant in view of the rising tide of nationalism and anti-colonialism on awakening continents. The eminent Swedish economist, Gunnar Myrdal, has just published what the Saturday Review calls a "seminal book," *Rich Lands and Poor; The Road to World Prosperity* (Harper); it presents an authoritative picture of economic inequalities which are due to more than economic causes. Frank Moraes, the brilliant Indian publicist, views international relations from his part of the world in an eminently readable book, *Yonder One World* (Macmillan).

The work of international organizations for the new world order is well told in a comprehensive volume, *Organizing for Peace* (Houghton Mifflin) by Cheever and Haviland. The tenth anniversary of the United Nations has stimulated several histories and evaluations of this world organization, including *UNESCO: Purpose, Progress, Prospects* (Indiana University) by Laves and Thomson. One very critical problem is that of refugees and displaced persons; a good book on this subject is *The Refugee and the World Community* (University of Minnesota) by John G. Stoessinger. Dr. Frank C. Laubach sees Christian compassion overflowing the organized Church into these international agencies and the gifts of large foundations, *The World is Learning Compassion* (Revell). This is a book of much useful information but some critics have objected to the imprisonment of the Christian ideal in organizations and systems of the moment; "the book constantly angers and at times infuriates me," says Father Huddleston.

From a considerable number of new publications on interracial and intercultural relations I select the following: *Race and Culture Contacts* (Knopf) by E. Franklin Frazier; *Christianity and Race* (St. Martin's) by Philip Mason; an excellent book, *The Kingdom Beyond Caste* (Friendship) by Liston Pope; *The Politics of Inequality* (Praeger) by Gwendolen M. Carter, which deals analytically with the South African problem; and two valuable booklets by Professor B.B. Keet, theologian of Stellenbosch University, *Whither -- South Africa*, and *The Ethics of Apartheid*, both published in South Africa and both very critical of apartheid.

If we want to be critical about American policies and attitudes in relation to world affairs these books will give us material: *America as a Civilization* (Simon and Schuster) by Max Lerner; *The Art of Overseasmanship*, published by the Maxwell School of Public Affairs at Syracuse University and edited by Harlan Cleveland and others; and H. R.

Issacs' disturbing volume about prejudices, *Scratches On Our Minds* (John Day).

Of making of books on lands and peoples near and far there is no end. The student of missions can only try to keep up with some of them. The Near and Middle East is an area of tension that continues to draw world attention; it is the subject of study this year in books published by Friendship Press, of which R. Park Johnson's *Middle East Pilgrimage* and Glora Wysner's *Caught in the Middle* should be especially mentioned. The best book I have read on this region and its challenge is Denis Baly's *Multitudes in the Valley* (Seabury). Others that should be included in this list are: *The Middle East: Its Religion and Culture* (Westminster) by Edward J. Jurji; *Bridgehead: The Drama of Israel* (Brazzilier) by Waldo Frank; *There Goes the Middle East* (Devin-Adair), strongly pro-Arab, by Alfred M. Lilienthal; *Islam Inflamed: A Middle East Picture* (Pantheon), by James Morris; *Arabian Destiny* (Essential) by Jacques Benoist-Mechin and translated from the French by Denis Weaver; *Middle East Crisis* (Penguin), a careful study, by Guy Wint and Peter Calvocoressi, and *Will the Middle East Go West?* (Regnery), strongly biased, by Freda Utley. Maxim Osward's *Asia Minor* (Morrow) is an attractive volume of 160 photographs, several in color.

Only a few books can be listed out of the many appearing on Africa and Asia in general. Heinrich Schiffers' *The Quest for Africa* (Putnam) is the story of two thousand years, magnificently told. Other fine books are *West Africa; A Study of the Environment and Man's Use of It* (Longmans, Green) by R. J. Harrison Church; *African Economic Development* (Harper) by William A. Hance; and a beautiful book of photographs, *Portrait of Southern Africa* (Collins), by Harms Reich. Similar volumes of photographs, exquisite in form and full of interest, are *Asia* (Crowell) by Hurlimann; *South America* (Crowell) by Mann; and *The Tropics* (Knopf) by Edgar Aubert de La Rue and others. *A World on the Move* (Amsterdam), is a history of colonialism and nationalism in Asia and Africa from the turn of the century to the Bandung Conference, with 674 illustrations, a fascinating but also disturbing book. On Southeast Asia we have *View to the Southeast* (Harper) by Santha Rama Rau, and *South East Asia Among the World Powers* (University of Kentucky) by Vandenbosh and Butwell. Three books on Latin America are worthy of mention here: *Latin America; A History* (Macmillan) by Alfred B. Thomas; *Fantastic South America* (Horizon), on the "continent of the future," by Henry Lionel Williams; *The Growth and Culture of Latin America* (Oxford) by Worcester and Schaeffer. A sociological study of the Caribbean area is found in *Caribbean Studies: A Symposium* (Columbia University) by seventeen contributors under the

editorship of Vera Rubin. Fritz Henle and P. E. Knapp have produced *The Carribean* (Crowell) a book of 250 marvelous photographs with a fine commentary. *Archipels Polynesiens* (Hachette) is an intriguing description of the Polynesian Islands by a sensitive writer, Bernard Villaret.

Books about individual countries are even more numerous, but the best of them need to be known by missionaries going to those lands, and by students of world-wide Christianity. Interesting titles are coming out about nations behind the Iron Curtain. On Russia: John Gunther's deservedly popular new book, *Inside Russia Today* (Harper); Louis Fischer, *Russia Revisited* (Doubleday); and *RSFSR, Russian Soviet Federated Socialist Republic* (Human Relations Area Files), on Russian anthropology, economics, international relations, political developments, and social psychology. From a large number of volumes about China I select: *Chinese Thought and Institutions* (University of Chicago) edited by John K. Fairbank; *The Soul of China* (Coward-McCann) by Amoury de Riencourt, a historical survey with great breadth and a fresh approach; Earl H. Cressys *Understanding China* (Nelson); and a stirring novel of World War II in West China, *The Mountain Road* (Sloane) by Theodore H. White. The best books on Communist China have been: *From One China to the Other* (Universe), a collection of outstanding photographs with text by Han Suyin; *Communist China Today* (Praeger) by a young Chinese scholar, Peter S. H. Tang; *Im Neuen China* (Atlantis Verlag) by Lily Abegg; and Robert Guillain's *600 Million Chinese* (Criterion), an objective and well-written report by a French reporter who has visited China often. Simone de Beauvoir's *The Long March* (World), though marked by some fine insights into Chinese culture, is entirely uncritical and amusingly naive in its praise of New China. Two interesting books have appeared on Mongolia and Tibet: *Die Mongolei* (Isar Verlag) by Erich Thiel; *On the Road Through Tibet* (Spring) by V. Sis and J. Vanis, translated from the Czech. On India we have a variety of new books and must choose: *The New India: Progress Through Democracy* (Macmillan), official plans and outlook; W. S. Woytinsky's *India, The Awakening Giant* (Harper), optimistic and sympathetic; Frank Moraes' excellent biography, *Jawaharlal Nehru* (Macmillan), and Alexander Campbell's *The Heart of India* (Knopf), a second Mother India in its devastating exposure of the darker side of Indian government and society, with little sense of proportion and little compassion. An important book on Pakistan is *Pakistan, A Political Study* (Allen & Unwin) by Keith Collard.

Turning to the Far East, we call attention to these good general books on Japan: *Sources of the Japanese Tradition* (Columbia University) by Tsunoda and others; *Japan Between East and West* (Harper) by Hugh

Borton and five other authorities; *The New Japan* (University of Minnesota) by Quigley and Turner; *In the Gray Rain* (Harper) delightful personality sketches, by Hazel S. Mac-Cartney; and Philip Williams' perceptive *Journey Into Mission* (Friendship) written, said the New York Times with "enthusiasm, humility and intense sincerity," On Korea we have a fine source book, *Korea's Heritage* (Tuttle) by Shannon McGune. Representing Southeast Asia are *The Smaller Dragon* (Praeger), first political history of Vietnam, by Joseph Buttinger; *The Union of Burma* (Oxford) by Hugh Tinker; *Building a Welfare State in Burma* (I.P.R.) by Frank N. Trager; *Malaya, A Political and Economic Appraisal* (University of Minnesota) by L. A. Mills. To the books already mentioned about South Africa should be added *South Africa in Transition* (Scribner), with photographs by Weiner and text by Alan Paton. Two significant books are: *Pageant of Ghana* (Oxford) by Freda Wolfson, and Kwamo Nkrumah's autobiography, *Ghana* (Nelson). Sylvia Parkhurst's *Ethiopia, A Cultural History* (Lalibela House), is a survey of arts and culture, beautifully illustrated. A unique volume is *People of the Reeds* (Harper), describing the inhabitants of the lower Tigris in Iraq, by Gavin Maxwell. The world still watches the two dictatorships of Spain and Portugal, *Spain, A Modern History* (Praeger) by de Madariaga is a new edition of a good book first published in 1930; *The Yoke and the Arrows* (Brazziler) is a brilliantly written analysis of the continuing ferment in Spain by a noted newspaper correspondent, Herbert Matthews. Richard Wright, the Negro writer, is the author of *Pagan Spain* (Harper). The strong man of Portugal is pictured in *Salazar, An Intimate Portrait*, translated from the French (Farrar, Straus) by Christine Gamier. *Persia* (Praeger), an illustrated description by Costa and Lockhart, and *Mexico Today* (Harper) by John A. Crow contain much interesting information about the culture of these lands.

We should not end this section without a reference to the useful series of Behavior Science Monographs, Country Series and Bibliographies, published by The Human Relations Area Files (affiliated with 16 universities) at New Haven. Sixteen volumes have appeared in the last two years, covering many regions and countries. They vary somewhat in quality but should be in all libraries on world affairs. A complete list of publications may be secured from this organization.

ANTHROPOLOGY AND ETHNOLOGY

Interest in anthropological studies continues unabated. We realize more and more their significance for the missionary. A good introductory book is *Anthropology and Human Nature* (Porter Sargent) by M.F. Ashley-

Montagu. *Peasant Society and Culture* (University of Chicago), by Robert Redfield, represents the interest of anthropologists in primitive society and peasant communities. A new reference book is *Religions, Mythologies, Folklores* (Scarecrow) by Katherine Smith Diehl; it has a good annotated bibliography. Among the recent books on special groups are: *The Chiga of Western Uganda* (Oxford) by Edel; *Neuer Religion* (Clarendon), a study of the cattle-herding people of southern Sudan, by Evans-Pritchard; *Kongo, II* (Almquist & Wiksells), second part of a study by the late missionary, Karl Laman; *Kikuyu Social and Political Institutions* (Oxford) by Lambert; *The Yao Village* (Manchester University), an able study covering nearly two years of a Nyasaland tribe, by J. C. Mitchell; *Rituals of Kinship Among the Nyakyusa* (Oxford) by Monica Wilson, a missionary's daughter; *Schism and Continuity in an Indian Society* (Manchester University), a scholarly study of Ndembu Village life by V. W. Turner; *Instrument and Purpose* (Gleerup), the phenomena of Hindu rites and rituals with much new material, by Carl G. Diehl; *Where the Gods are Mountains* (Reynal), three years' observation among the people of the Himalayas by Nebesky-Wyckowitz; *Leadership and Power in the Chinese Community of Thailand* (Cornell University), by G. W. Skinner; *The People of Puerto Rico: A Study in Social Anthropology* (University of Illinois) by Julian H. Steward and others; *Here Is Haiti* (Philosophical) by the trained sociologist, Ruth D. Wilson; *The Naked Aucas* (Essential), by R. Blomberg, a study of the Indian tribe in Ecuador which murdered five young missionaries in 1956; *Land of the Moon-Children* (University of Georgia) about the primitive culture of the Cuna Indians on islands off Panama, by Clyde E. Keeler; *Dawn in Arctic Alaska* (University of Minnesota), about Eskimo family life, by Diamond Jenness; and *Life Among the Aborigines* (Robert Hale) by a recognized authority on aboriginal tribes of Australia, W. E. Harney.

THE LIVING RELIGIONS OF MANKIND

Some excellent books in this field have been published since early 1956. We are all familiar with the popular, yet scholarly, articles on religions of the world which appeared in *Life* two years ago; these have been gathered now in one volume, with fine illustrations and an introduction by Paul Hutchinson, *The World's Great Religions*. Other general works are: Noss' *Man's Religions* (Macmillan), a standard text, with important revisions and additions; Edwin A. Burt's *Man Seeks the Divine* (Harper), *Die Grossen Nichtchristlichen Religionen Unserer Zeit* (A. Kroner Verlag), by Walter Fuchs and others; and the best of them all, *The Religions of Man* (Harper), by Huston Smith, a son of missionaries, who spent the first seventeen years of his life in China and is now Lecturer at Washington University.

Arnold Toyribee has written a short and clear book from his point of view, *Christianity Among the Religions of the World* (Scribner). Christianity, he says, must give up "fanaticism and claim to uniqueness." W. E. Hocking, seemingly more conservative than he was twenty years ago, has given us a thought-provoking outlook in *The Coming World Civilization* (Harper), with special emphasis on the place of religion.

In the area of particular religions we begin with Geoffrey Parrinder's *Witchcraft* (Pelican), a study of European and African witchcraft, with a selected bibliography. On Buddhism these are my choices: *The Path of the Buddha, Buddhism Interpreted by Buddhists* (Ronald), edited by Kenneth W. Morgan; Suzuki's *Mysticism, Christian and Buddhist* (Harper), Alan Watts' *The Way of Zen* (Pantheon). Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan and Charles A. Moore have edited *A Source Book in Indian Philosophy* (Princeton University), covering three thousand years of Indian philosophical and religious thought. Gambhirananda's *History of The Ramakrishna Math and Mission* (Calcutta), commemorates the Diamond Jubilee of this movement. Swami Nikhilananda contributes the interpretation of an insider, *Hinduism, Its Meaning for the Liberation of the Spirit* (Harper). A comprehensive and imaginative history of Taoism is seen in *The Parting of the Way, Lao Tzu and the Taoist Movement* (Beacon), by Holmes Welch. Robert Bellah covers the important period of 1600 to 1868 in his *Tokugawa Religion* (Free Press).

Islam -- The Straight Path (Ronald) is a notable book, consisting of eleven articles by outstanding Muslim scholars in seven languages, all translated into English and edited by Kenneth W. Morgan. A. J. Arberry has written *Revelation and Reason in Islam* (Allen & Unwin), on the conflict within Islam and its resolution. On the relationship of Christianity to ethnic religions, especially Islam and Hinduism, three very significant books have appeared. In *The Inevitable Choice; Vedanta Philosophy or Christian Gospel* (Abingdon) the well-known Edmund Davidson Soper opposes strongly any trend toward syncretism. Hendrik Kraemer's *Religion and the Christian Faith* (Lutterworth and Westminster) is essential reading for all students of world missions and evangelism. Dr. Kraemer appears here as a dynamic classroom lecturer, strenuously defending his own orthodox position, engaging in a polemical warfare with a wide range of opponents, critics, and scholars of religion whose viewpoints vary from his, hammering continuously on the theme of the unique, incomparable, intractable disclosure of God in Christ, and making innumerable diversionary sorties. Kenneth Cragg, eminent missionary authority on Islamic studies, reacts strongly against Dr. Kraemer's rigid position in *The Call of the Minaret* (Oxford). He fears that largely theoretical and academic discussions of non-Christian faiths and a belligerent attitude toward them

and their exponents may render more difficult the deeper understanding of these religions and also of the persons and societies within their systems. In his book we find a note of patient love, of tender wooing, of Christ-like yearning, of mission under the Cross, that seems to be lacking in Dr. Kraemer's magnum opus. Dr. Cragg's book has been called "the ablest ever written on the relations of Christianity to Islam," and has won high praise from Muslims as well as Christian scholars.

THE CHALLENGE OF COMMUNISM

The challenge of Communism is everywhere felt and is provoking much serious thought, discussion, and writing. Two books from within the Russian orbit should be mentioned: *Not By Bread Alone* (translation, Dutton) by Vladimir Dudintsev, a bold novel aimed at Russian bureaucracy; and the best seller, *The New Class* (translation, Praeger), by the Yugoslavian leader Djilas, who is now in prison. *The Hungarian Revolution* (Praeger), edited by Melvin J. Lasky, is a "White Book" of important documents and eye-witness accounts of that epochal uprising. Books on the Communist movement that should be on our shelves are: Kennedy's *A History of Communism in East Asia* (Praeger); Henry Wei's *China and Soviet Russia* (Van Nostrand); Lacquer's *Communism and Nationalism in the Middle East* (Praeger); George Padmore's *Pan-Africanism or Communism?* (Roy). Accounts of the Christian Church under Communist regimes are found in *The Redbook of the Persecuted Church* (Newman) by Albert Gaiter; *The Story of Mary Liu* (Farrer, Straus & Cudahy), a remarkable experience, well narrated by Edward Hunter; and two reports of deputations to mainland China, the British Quaker Mission (Friends House, London) and that of Australian churchmen (NCCC-USA, DFM). Books on the theory and practice of Communism and its meaning for Christianity include: *Marxism and the Open Mind* (Routledge and Kegan Paul) by John Lewis; *Communism and Christianity* (Devin Adair) by the English Jesuit theologian, Martin C. D'Arcy; *Theology Between Yesterday and Tomorrow* (Westminster) by the Czech theologian, Joseph L. Hromadka, who seeks to mediate between Communism and the Christian Gospel; the large new book by Charles C. West, *Communism and the Theologians; Study of an Encounter* (SCM Press, to be published in November by Westminster) heavy reading but rewarding; and my own small contribution, *Marx Meets Christ* (Westminster) by Price.

One new book of importance has appeared on religious liberty, Giovanni Miegge's *Religious Liberty* (Lutterworth Press, World Christian Books).

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HISTORY AND PRESENT WORK OF MISSIONS AND NATIONAL CHURCHES

Professor C. P. Groves has completed his monumental history, *The Planting of Christianity in Africa* (Lutterworth). Volume IV, covering 1914- 1954, has just been published. Another distinguished achievement is Dr. K.S. Latourette's *World Service; A History of the Foreign Work and World Service of the Young Men's Christian Association of the United States and Canada* (Association Press). This covers YMCA service in L2 countries over almost a century. CP. Shedd's *History of the World's Alliance of Y.M.C.A.'s* (S.P.C.K.) appeared two years ago. *One Faith and Fellowship* (Seabury) by John Seville Higgins is the story of Anglican missionary work around the world. *Baptist World Fellowship* (Carey Kingsgate), by F. T. Lord, is a short history of the Baptist World Alliance, its missions, and younger churches. John N. Hollister has written *The Centenary of the Methodist Church in Southern Asia* (Lucknow Publishing House). In 1956 an English translation was published of E. Arno Lehmann's *It Began at Tranquebar, A History of the First Protestant Mission in India* (Madras C.L.S.).

Several denominational histories have recently come out. James A. Cogswell is author of *Until the Day Dawns* (Nashville, Presbyterian Board), story of the Southern Presbyterian Mission in Japan, which is an excellent summary also of Christian work on the islands. The Centennial Committee of the Christian Reformed Church has issued *One Hundred Years In the New World* (Grand Rapids). *Mission in Formosa and Hong Kong* (Augsburg) by Ruth Sovik and others tells about the Lutheran Church in those places. *Land of Promise* (Highway), by Mary Stuart, is a short history of Anglican missions in Uganda. H. W. Williamson has produced an extensive history, *British Baptists in China; 1855-1952*. (Carey Kingsgate). Written in Dutch and awaiting translation into English is *The Vision of Herrnhut and the Apostolate of the Moravian Brethren in Surinam* (C. Kersten) by John Marinus' Van der Linde, a scholarly and moving narrative. Another kind of history is *Proving God; Financial Experiences of the China Inland Mission* (C.I.M. Overseas Fellowship), telling how this faith mission has found support from the days of Hudson Taylor to the present, by Phyllis Thompson.

A scholar of the Eastern Orthodox Church, Cardinal Eugene Tisserant, has written the full story of *Eastern Christianity in India*; the book is now translated from the French and published by Newman Press.

Roman Catholic mission histories include: *Les Missions des Origines au XVIIe Siecle* (Librairie Grond), by a group of scholars under the

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editorship of Monseigneur Delacroix; *Les Jesuites et l'Extreme-Orient* (La Table Ronde), describing four centuries of Catholic work in China, Japan and India by the Society of Jesus, by Marianne Moncstier. Cary-Elwes has attempted in *China and the Cross* (Kennedy) a survey of missionary history in China from the 7th century to the present, with attention to Protestant as well as Catholic enterprise. *Martyrs in China* (Regnery) by Jean Monsterleet and translated into English is an inspiring account of persecutions and martyrdoms. The first systematic effort to collect and publish all relevant materials about Communist persecution of Roman Catholic missions in China is embodied in a book by Johannes Schutte, *Die Katholische Chinamission im Spiegel der Rotchinesischen Presse* (Aschendorffsche Verlags-Buchhandlung) -- *The Maryknoll Golden Book*, edited by A.J. Hevins, is a fine anthology of Catholic mission literature, published by the Catholic Foreign Mission Society of America. *Missiegeschiedenis* by Alphons Mulders and published by Paul Brand in Bussum is a new history of Catholic missions which makes only negative references to Protestant missions. *Digest of Catholic Mission History* (Maryknoll Publications) by Sister Mary Just is now off the press, a good example of the World Horizon Reports published at intervals by this strong missionary organization.

On the work of missions and the Christian movement today we should mention first the splendid new book by W. Stanley Rycroft, *Religion and Faith in Latin America* (Westminster). Along with this we list: Charles W. Iglehart's *Cross and Crisis in Japan* (Friendship Press) which has sold more than a hundred thousand copies; *Reconciliation and Renewal* in Japan by the young Japanese theological professor, Masao Takenaka, published by the Student Volunteer Movement and Friendship Press; *Japanese Witnesses for Christ* (Association Press), five short biographies written by Japanese; *The Tumbling Walls* (United Presbyterian Church), about North Africa and Pakistan, written by a visiting pastor and his wife, Marian and Edwin Fairman; Roland Oliver's *How Christian Is Africa?* (Highway); *Land Beyond the Nile* (Harper) by Malcolm Forsberg; *God's Fool* (Faber and Faber) by George N. Patterson, story of Plymouth Brethren missionary work in China, Tibet, and India; Constance Hallock's *East From Burma* (Friendship), about Christianity in the development of Southeast Asia nations; and *These My People* (Zondervan), an animated account by Mrs. Lillian Dickson of missionary service among the mountain tribes of Formosa. Two books, of a quite different nature, by John V. Taylor should be included: *Christianity and Politics in Africa* (Penguin), and *The Passion in Africa* (Mowbray), a story with pictures by Hans Leuenberger of a moving Passion Play using an all-African cast.

The following books will be helpful to those who are studying the expansion of foreign missionary effort by the Church of the Latter Day Saints (Mormons), and Jehovah's Witnesses: *Why I Am A Mormon* (Nelson) by Wallace F. Bennett, containing considerable information on the missionary program; Thomas F. O'Dea's *The Mormons* (University of Chicago); *Triumphant Kingdom* (Criterion) an excellent appraisal of Jehovah's Witnesses by Marley Cole; the *1956 Year Book of Jehovah's Witnesses*, published by the Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society; *Faith on the March* (Prentice-Hall), an account by life-long members of Jehovah's Witnesses; and *Thirty Years a Watch Tower Slave* (Baker), a bestselling expose by a disillusioned member.

MISSIONARY BIOGRAPHIES

This has been a great biennium for missionary biographies. At the top of the list should be George Seaver's definitive *David Livingstone--His Life and Letters* (Harper). Based on new researches, this is a magnificent piece of work; its weakness is that it concentrates too much on Livingstone and does not give enough historical background and social context. The continued interest in Livingstone is shown by Cecil Northcott's *Livingstone in Africa* (World Christian Books) and *Livingstone the Doctor* by Michael Gelfand, M.D., a medical specialist, published by Blackwell. *The Man Who Presumed* (Holt), by Byron Farwell, is a study of motivations in the life of Livingstone's discoverer, Henry M. Stanley. Books and articles about Albert Schweitzer are endless. Robert Payne has written an excellent study of the great missionary physician, *The Three Worlds of Albert Schweitzer* (Nelson), "a work of biographical magnitude" the *Saturday Review* calls it. *To the Golden Shore* (Little, Brown) is a new and entrancing life of Adoniram Judson; Courtney Anderson is the author. Another biography of the apostle to the New Hebrides has appeared, *John G. Paton* (Higley), by Ralph R. Bell. *Great Lion of Bechuanaland* (London, Independent Press) is a well-written story of the life and times of Roger Price by the anthropologist, Edwin W. Smith. *The Journals of Elizabeth Lees Price* (Edward Arnold), edited by Una Long, consist of letters written by Robert Moffat's daughter who married Roger Price. Dii Arno Lehmann has edited the hitherto unpublished letters of Bartholomaeus Ziegenbalg, 1706- 1719, *Alte Briefe aus Indien*, (Evangelische Verlagsanstalt), a large 552-page volume! Archibald L. Fleming has written a vigorous biography, *Archibald The Arctic* (Appleton-Century-Crofts) about a Scotch missionary to the Eskimos. Those who read and loved J. H. Oldham's biography of Florence Allshorn, missionary to Uganda, will be happy to know that the notebooks of Miss Allshorn have been edited and are now published by

SCM Press, London. Ann M. Harrison has told the story of Paul Harrison, great missionary doctor to the Arabs, in *A Tool in His Hand* (Friendship). *My Arabian Days and Nights* (Crowell), by Eleanor T. Calverley, is the autobiography of a medical missionary among Muslim Arabs.

Elizabeth Elliot wrote a very moving account of the five missionary martyrs in Ecuador, *Through Gates of Splendor* (Harper) which has had a wide sale. Alan Burgess' *The Small Woman* (Dutton) is another best seller; unfortunately this exciting story of an independent British missionary in China is as much legend as fact. The story of Pere Lebbe, the Belgian Roman Catholic missionary to China who helped to bring about a Chinese bishopric, is well told in *Thunder in the Distance* (Sheed and Ward), by Jacques Leclercq.

PRINCIPLES AND THEOLOGY OF MISSION

Dr. O. G. Myklebust has completed Volume 2 of his monumental research, *The Study of Missions in Theological Education* (Egede Instituttet); Dr. Latourette says, "All future investigations in the scientific approach to Protestant missions will find in it a comprehensive and invaluable mine of information." A distinguished contribution to mission theory, unfortunately already out of print, is the book by Johannes van den Berg, *Constrained by Jesus' Love; An Inquiry into the Motives of the Missionary Awakening in Great Britain, 1698-1815* (Kampen, J. H. Kok). *The Renewal of the Church* (Westminster) by W.A. Visser 't Hooft, and *The Unfinished Task* (Lutterworth) by Stephen Neill are solid books that will stimulate thought and discussion. A cluster of four small but most significant books should be on every missions shelf: Charles W. Forman's *A Faith For the Nations* (Westminster); R. Pierce Beaver's *The Christian World Mission: A Reconsideration, Carey Lectures, Calcutta*, Baptist Mission Press, for sale by D.F.M.); James S. Stewart's *Thine Is The Kingdom* (St. Andrew Press); and James S. Thomson's *The Divine Mission* (Toronto, United Church).

Voices challenging old concepts of missions are heard in *Revolution in Missions* (Vellore Popular Press), edited by Blaise Levai. Gabriel Hebert in an important book, *Fundamentalism and the Church* (Westminster), discusses the strength and weaknesses of fundamentalist theology and its implications for the missionary movement. An extraordinarily able study of the question of "younger churches" is found in Peter Beyerhaus' *Die Selbstständigkeit der jungen Kirchen als missionarisches Problem* (Wuppertal), soon to be published in an English translation by SCM Press, with the title *The Responsible Selfhood of the Church, A Study in Missiology*. Evangelism

is considered thoughtfully and earnestly in three books of real worth: *The Communication of the Christian Faith* (Westminster) by Hendrik Kraemer; *The Preacher's Task and the Stone of Stumbling* (Harper) by D.T. Niles, first Asian to deliver the Beecher Lectures at Yale; and *Christianity and Communication* by F.W. Dillistone (Scribner's).

A noteworthy Roman Catholic contribution is *Le Probleme Cardinal de la Missiologie et des Missions Catholiques* (Holland, Rhenen), by Edouard Loffeld, a church-centered philosophy of mission. *Teach Ye All Nations* (Bonziger) is a briefer and simpler statement of Roman Catholic missionary principles.

THE ECUMENICAL MOVEMENT

The fourth and final volume of *Documents on Christian Unity*, edited by G.K.A. Bell has just been published by Oxford University Press. This valuable collection of documents covers the period 1948-1957. A Jesuit scholar, Edward Duff, is the author of a most interesting study, *The Social Thought of the World Council of Churches* (Association Press). Winifred E. Garrison in *The Quest and Character of a United Church* (Abingdon) discusses liberty and variety within the universal Christian fellowship, a fellowship which as yet is far from being a united Church. *Cooperation Without Compromise* (Eerdmans) is a severe criticism of the ecumenical movement by a leader in the National Association of Evangelicals and World Evangelical Fellowship, James D. Murch.

In the category of church union overseas we have received within the past two years: *Empty Shoes* (Protestant Episcopal National Council), an excellent report and interpretation on the Church of South India; *The Plan of Church Union in North India and Pakistan*, 3rd edition (Madras, C.L.S.); also, booklets and pamphlets on other union developments and autonomous churches. The training of leadership has received a new impetus through the I.M.C. Theological Education Fund. One survey report, *Survey of the Training of the Ministry in Madagascar* (I.M.C.) appeared in 1957.

Important conference report volumes include: *Geredja Asia Timur bertemu di Prapat* (Prapat) and the English edition of the same, entitled *A Report of the Prapat Conference* (Australian Council for W.C.C.), edited by H.L. Perkins and W.T. Thomas; another report on the Prapat Conference, *The Common Evangelistic Task of the Churches in East Asia* (Rangoon, East Asia Christian Conference); *The Listening Isles* (I.M.C.), records of the Caribbean Consultation in 1957; *The Nature of the Unity We*

Seek (Bethany), report on the North American Conference on Faith and Order of September 1957. Full reports of the I.M.C. Assembly in Ghana and of the All-Africa Church Conference in Ibadan, Nigeria, will soon be published by the International Missionary Council.

The research work of the I.M.C. and W.C.C. continues through the Division of Studies and the Departments on Faith and Order, Church and Society, Evangelism and Missionary Studies. Several publications have appeared within the past two years. Of especial concern for us are the studies in areas of social change and the I.M.C. research pamphlets. Since 1956 we have seen publication of *The Communication of the Gospel* by H. R. Weber; *The Gospel and the Religions*, by Walter Freytag; and *Processes of Growth in an African Church* by John V. Taylor, all published by SCM Press, John Taylor's booklet is being published as a big book by SCM Press in November, 1958, *The Growth of the Church in Buganda, An Attempt at Understanding*. I assume that you are familiar with the recent research monographs and papers of the Missionary Research Library.

MISSIONARY TRAINING AND METHODS

I mention three books on missionary preparation: A.T. Houghton's *Preparing to Be A Missionary* (London, I.V.F.); *Have We No Right?* (Moody), by Mabel Williamson of the China Inland Mission Overseas Fellowship; and an M.R.L. monograph, *A Study of Missionary Motivation, Training and Withdrawal*, by Kenyon E. Moyer. Many good pamphlets have been issued by the Student Volunteer Movement, NCCC-USA. Division of Foreign Missions, and denominational societies.

On the relation of missions to relief and inter-church aid we have: *The Church Is There* (Seabury) by Leslie E. Cook of the W.C.C.; *Man's New Hope* (Church Peace Union) by Justin Wroe Nixon; *As Between Brothers* (Augsburg), by Richard W. Solberg, the story of the Lutheran response to world need, Frank Laubach's new book has already been listed. S.M. Kenny's *Half the World's Children* (Association Press) is a fascinating diary of UNICEF at work in Asia, in which missionaries have cooperated. *Arzte in aller Welt* (Stuttgart, Evangelischer Missionverlag) by Samuel Muller describes the invaluable contribution of medical missions. *Doctors to the World* (Viking) tells of WHO programs, which have made contact with many missionary hospitals. A former agricultural missionary to India, Arthur Mosher, has written about the place of agricultural and rural missions in his survey, *Technical Cooperation in Latin-American Agriculture* (University of Chicago). On rural missions four excellent volumes have

come to the Library: *Deep Furrows* (Agricultural Missions) by Ira W. Moomaw; *Church Bells in Many Tongues* (privately published, distributed by Friendship Press) by Ralph A. Felton; *Preacher With A Plow* (Houghton Mifflin), by Samuel B. Coles, an American Negro missionary to Africa; *The Village Church in West Pakistan* (NCCC-USA, Division of Home Missions), report of a consultation in Pakistan and survey of rural churches there, by Richard O. Comfort. On the urban church and its problems we have received *The Urban Community and the Urban Church* (India N.C.C.). A splendidly illustrated book on all kinds of missionary and church work is *Christian India* (Vanguard), by Plattner and Moosbrugger, translated from the German. The use of mass media techniques in evangelism is discussed by Alan Walker in *The Whole Gospel for the Whole World* (Abingdon).

Beautifully printed and inspiring for all workers in the Christian world mission are these two devotional books: *In His Name* (Edinburgh House, St. Martin's), by George Appleton, a book of prayers; and *Meditations of an Indian Christian* (SCM Press) by M. A. Thomas.

REFERENCE BOOKS

A strict selection is necessary from the large number of reference books and bibliographies recently available. The 20th volume of *Bibliographia Missionaria* (Rome, Unione Missionaria), edited by Johannes Rommerskirchen, has been published. A reference book on Roman Catholic missions highly recommended to us is *Perspectives sur la Monde* (Quebec, L'Union Missionnaire), by Abbe Adrien Bouffard. *World Religions* (Dutton), by B. Y. Landis is good for desk reference. Also, *Lutheran Churches of the World* (Augsburg), by Hans Lilje and others. The 1957 edition of *World Christian Handbook* (World Dominion) has been issued. Limits of space forbid inclusion of many good general books of reference, but I cannot forbear mention of *World Literacy at Mid-Century* (Paris, UNESCO), a comprehensive survey with statistics by countries.

Two new periodicals have recently begun publication: *Frontier*, a quarterly which takes the place of *World Dominion* and *Christian News-Letter*; *Worldview*, published by Church Peace Union.



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